

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant '

Kripesh, et al.

Appl. No.

10/078,243

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For

PROCESS OF FORMING METAL

SURFACES COMPATIBLE WITH A

WIRE BONDING AND

SEMICONDUCTOR INTEGRATED CIRCUITS MANUFACTURED BY

THE PROCESS

Examiner

Sheila V. Clark

Group Art Unit

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement in the Office Action dated July 3, 2003, Applicant hereby elects Group I (Claims 1-52). This election is made without traverse. In addition, Applicant notes that Claim 78 is not included in either of Groups I and II in the Office Action. Applicant assumed that Claim 78 belongs to Group II. Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner confirms in the next Office Action that Group II includes Claim 78.

If the Examiner has any questions which may be answered by telephone, he is invited to call the undersigned directly. Please charge any additional fees, including any fees for additional extension of time, or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-1410.

Respectfully submitted,

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